

# DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMISSION 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

#### **Description as Defined in Ordinance:**

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## List of Board and Commission Members, Including Attendance and Service Dates:

Board/Commission Members:	Service Dates:	Attendance Record:
Philip Amorosi	6/23/2017 - 7/1/2019	17
Barbara Lloyd-Alternate	6/23/2016 - 7/1/2019	7
Scott Sumners	6/23/2016 – 7/1/2019	11
Thomas Brown	6/25/2015 – 7/1/2020	17
Michael DiDomenico	6/15/2017 – 7/1/2020	15
Angela Thornton-Alternate	6/15/2017 – 7/1/2020	6
Don Cassano	6/28/2018 - 7/1/2021	4
Andrew Johnson	6/25/2015 – 7/1/2021	15
David Lyon	6/25/2015 – 7/1/2021	18
Linda Spears	6/14/2012 - 7/1/2018	11
(Termed out as of July 1, 2018)		
Nicholas Labadie-Alternate	8/18/2016 – 7/1/2018	4
(Resigned May 15, 2018)		
Michelle Schwartz – Alternate (Appointed October 22, 2018)	10/22/2018 – 07/01/2021	0

#### Name of Chair and Vice Chair:

- Chair Linda Spears from November 2017 to June 2018. David Lyon from July 2018 to Present.
- Vice Chair David Lyon from November 2017 June 2018. Michael DiDomenico from July 2018 to Present.

# Staff Liaison and Contact Information:

Staff Liaison:	<u>Department:</u>	<u>Phone:</u>	<u>Email:</u>
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#### **Meeting Frequency and Location:**

Meetings occur 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month, in the Council Chambers. Sixteen meetings were held **November 2017 – October 2018.** 

## Number of Meetings Cancelled and Reason for Cancellation:

Three meetings were cancelled due to lack of Agenda items.

#### **Vacancies and Duration of Vacancies:**

There was one vacancy for an alternate commission member for approximately 6 months (May 15, 2018 to October 21, 2018).

## **Subcommittee and Subcommittee Activity:**

Did the Board/Commission have any subcommittees active during the reporting period? ☐ YES ☒ NO

## **Mission Statement:**

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#### Accomplishments (Past 12 Months):

Below is a list of all projects heard by the Development Review Commission from November 2017 to October 2018. The Commission took actions on projects heard. Actions included approval, denial, or recommendation to City Council.

Tomno Fire Station #7	PL170296
Tempe Fire Station #7	
Quick Quack Car Wash	PL170240
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Quick Quack Car Wash	PL170240
The Muse	PL170320
At Home	PL170305
Farmer Arts District - Parcel 1, Lot 1	PL170358
Hayden Flour Mill	PL170304
DBC - Site 3 Parking Structure	PL170351
Apache & Oak	PL160429
Park Place	PL170166
Alliance Broadstone Rio Salado	PL170272
Farmer Townhomes	PL170280
Text Amendment-ADU's and Guest Quarters	PL170425
University Lofts	PL170395
The Hayden	PL170281
Sound and Lighting FX	PL170198
Supima Agave	PL170360
Chapman Chevrolet	PL170388
The Fix Coffee	PL170228
Roosevelt Court Townhomes	PL170253
Taco Bell	PL170417
Streetlights Rio 2100	PL180026
22 W 9th Street Downzone	PL170426
Windes-Bell House Downzone	PL170427
Harris House Downzone	PL170428

Barnes House Downzone McGinnis House Downzone Rifkin Downzone Klett Downzone 1203 South Ash Downzone Gitlis-Douglas Downzone	PL170429 PL170431 PL170437 PL170438 PL170439 PL170440
Sandstedt Downzone	PL170441
Code Text Amend (PAD/Zoning Extensions)	PL180053
Rural & Broadway Commercial	PL180007
5th St Prepared Food Market & Bar Appeal	PL180006
Metro 101	PL170300
Roosevelt Court Townhomes	PL170253
The Collective	PL170363
Mixed-Use Development at Apache/Terrace	PL180025
PDQ Tempe	PL180084
Precision Fleet Services	PL180002
Character Area 3 Plan	PL180134
Treble	PL170411
Hines Mini-W-house /Rental Storage Facility	PL180067
Broadway Apartments	PL180095
Tempe Crossroads	PL180082
Millennium @ Rio Salado	PL180051
IDEA Tempe	PL180160
NEC Baseline & Roosevelt Plat	PL180172
Garcia Residence Appeal	PL180159
Clean Freak Car Wash	PL180052
NEC Baseline & Roosevelt Retail	PL180172
Tempe Student Housing	PL180175
Beyond Self Storage	PL180183
Apache Taxi	PL180250
Lofts on 8th	PL180204

# Goals Related to City Council Strategic Priorities, if Applicable (Next 12 Months):

Some of the goals established at the September 25, 2017 DRC retreat and implemented by staff include the following:

- Using mobile devices (i.e. iPads) at DRC meeting and eliminating paper binders of DRC agenda and reports.
- Staff summary of Council meeting/vote to understand Council's vision and improve communication between DRC and City Council (CC)
- Highlighting non-standard conditions of approvals in staff reports (noted in bold).
- Provide Council the explanations and context for why DRC voted the way they did on a project in the staff summary.
- Providing high resolution project files to DRC (through Liquid Files).
- Encouraging more study session items to strengthen collaboration and communication between DRC, staff and applicants.